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This amendment is resubmitted in response to the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment mailed January 18, 2006. In response to the Official Action dated January 18, 2006, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.